IN THE DRAWINGS

Two replacement sheets, 1/4 and 3/4, are enclosed herewith for the Examiner's approval. On these sheets, Figure 1a and Figure 3a are indicated as "prior art" as described in the specification.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the first full paragraph on page 11 with the following paragraph:

The turnbuckle devices 12, 13, 14 each have a left first claw 15a, 15b, 15c and a right second claw 16a, 16b, 16c. The claws 15a, 15b, 15c, 16a, 16b, 16c may be displaced in the horizontal direction toward one another in the figure (= clamping direction), in order to press the concrete shell elements 1, 2 against one another. The clamping of the claws 15a, 15b, 15c, 16a, 16b, 16c may be set in each case by a wedge 17a, 17b, 17c. The wedges 17a, 17b, 17c have a wedge guiding direction (i.e., a translational direction into the particular turnbuckle device 12, 13, 14) diagonally downward. As a wedge 17a, 17b, 17c is advanced diagonally downward, the associated claws 15a, 15b, 15c, 16a, 16b, 16c are pulled together in the horizontal direction. The clamping direction, which is horizontal here, and the wedge guiding direction thus enclose an angle α less than 90°, specifically approximately 70° (See Figure 2). The sign of the clamping direction and the wedge guiding direction are not considered in determining the angle α , and only the smaller of the enclosed angles at an intersection of the two direction lines determined by the direction vectors is considered as the angle α .